Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is any supervision charge of officers included in this?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—Yes, it is included.

Rose-wood.

117. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what quantity of rose-wood is available in the forests now for sale;

(b) whether any one has applied for the same;

(c) if so, who all have applied;

(d) whether any application has been accepted; if so, the terms on which it has been accepted;

(e) how many of these applicants are Cochinites;

(f) if non-Cochinites have been preferred, will the reasons for the same be kindly given;

(g) whether any tender has been invited; if not, why not?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.

(a) Four hundred and thirty-seven candies.

(b) Yes.

(c) Messrs. Nathan Brothers, Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons, Mr. C. P. Louis, Messrs. Mugaseth & Sons.

(d) None.

(e) Government have no information.

(f) Please see replies to sub-divisions (d) and (e).

(g) An auction has been notified.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—For sub-division (e) the answer given is "Government have no information." I am asking whether they made the necessary inquiries. How many of these applicants are Cochinites?

President.—Government have no information. Some may be Cochinites; some may not be. Government did not consider it necessary to make such enquiries.

Teak wood.

118. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—(a) what is the market price for teak in the year 1102 on the average;

(b) at what price has Cochin Forest teak been supplied;

(c) persons to whom teak has been supplied;

(d) the price at which teak has been supplied to the different parties;

(e) whether tenders were invited; if not, why not?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) No average market price can be quoted. The price depends upon the quality and size of the log.

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(b) Teak of old stock and fair quality at Rs. 28 ; of medium quality up to 10 *vannams* at Rs. 22 and below 10 *vannams* at Rs. 11 a candy. Of the new stock, 200 candies below 12 *vannams* at Rs. 23—9—3, delivery at Ernakulam, and 459 candies of the same sort at Rs. 22, delivery at Chalakkudi Depot. New stock from 12 to 15 *vannams* at Rs. 30, Ernakulam delivery. Selected logs of new stock about 15 *vannams* at Rs. 35 at Chalakkudi and Rs. 36—4—0 at Ernakulam ; unselected logs of the same sort at Rs. 33 at Chalakkudi and at Rs. 34 at Ernakulam.

(c) *Old stock*.—To Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons.

New stock.—To Messrs. K. V. Joseph, C. Narayana Menon, V. K. Ammunni Menon, the Standard Furniture Works, Feroke, Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons and Mr. V. K. Narayana Menon.

(d) Fair quality, old stock, at Rs. 28 to Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons. Medium quality, old stock, up to 10 *vannams* at Rs. 22 to Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons. Medium quality, old stock, below 10 *vannams* at Rs. 11 to Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons.

New Stock.

Messrs. K. V. Joseph—Rs. 23—9—3 at Ernakulam, under 12 *vannams*;

C. Narayana Menon—Rs. 22 at Chalakkudi, under 12 *vannams*;

C. Narayana Menon—Rs. 30 at Ernakulam between 12 and 15 *vannams*;

K. V. Joseph—Rs. 30 at Ernakulam between 12 and 15 *vannams* ;

V. K. Ammunni Menon—Rs. 34 at Ernakulam above 15 *vannams* unselected;

Messrs. T. Namberumal Chetti & Sons—Rs. 35 at Chalakkudi. Selected logs.

The Standard Furniture Works—Rs. 35 at Chalakkudi. Selected logs.

V. K. Narayana Menon—Rs. 36—4—0 at Ernakulam. Selected logs.

(e) Yes.

White Cedar.

119. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) at what price have white cedar been supplied during the last 3 years;

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